

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Elections / Restrictions

The elections / restrictions requested by the Examiner are provided below.

1. Component (b) from claim 1.

a. This claim has been Currently Amended to exclude “a cosmetically acceptable carrier base”.

Therefore, no election is made relative to “a cosmetically acceptable carrier base”.

b. This claim has been Currently Amended to exclude “a delivery system”. Therefore, no election is made relative to “a delivery system”.

Claims 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 have been Currently Amended. The election of species is indicated in New Claims 14 through 19.

2. The additional ingredients or compositions from claim 6.

The claim 6 has been Currently Amended. Election of a moisturizer is made in claim 16, which is further restricted to the election of glycerin in claim 19.

The above changes are further noted below.

The portions of claims now deleted in Currently Amended claims are shown in double cross out. The portions of claims newly added are shown in ***bold italics***.

[Claim 1] (Currently Amended). A ~~deodorant or deodorizing composition comprising; (a) zinc zeolite, and (b) a delivery system or a cosmetically acceptable carrier base composition.~~
for topical application.

[Claim 2] (Original). A composition according to claim 1, wherein zinc zeolite can be in hydrated or anhydrous forms.

[Claim 3] (Currently Amended). A composition according to claim 1, wherein ~~a delivery system or carrier bases can be zinc zeolite itself.~~ *is included.*

[Claim 4] (Currently Amended). ~~The compositions A~~ *composition* according to claim 1, wherein such compositions contain Zinc Zeolite from 0.01% to 100%.

[Claim 5] (Original). A composition according to claim 1, wherein zinc zeolite can be from an in-situ generated process or in a pre-manufactured form.

[Claim 6] (Currently Amended). A composition according to ~~claim 1~~ *Claim 3*, wherein ~~delivery system or carrier base can~~ includes additional ingredients ~~or compositions~~ selected from skin cleansers, cationic surfactants, anionic surfactants, non-ionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants, and zwitterionic surfactants, skin and hair conditioning agents, vitamins, hormones, minerals, plant extracts, anti-inflammatory agents, whitening agents, deodorants, odor masking agents, antiperspirants, collagen and elastin synthesis boosters, UVA/UVB sunscreens, concentrates of plant extracts, emollients, moisturizers, skin protectants, humectants, silicones, skin soothing ingredients, antimicrobial agents, antifungal agents, treatment of skin infections and lesions, blood microcirculation improvement, skin redness reduction benefits, additional moisture absorbents, analgesics, skin penetration enhancers, solubilizers, moisturizers, emollients, anesthetics, colorants, perfumes, preservatives, seeds, broken

seed nut shells, silica, clays, beads, luffa particles, polyethylene balls, mica, pH adjusters, processing aids, and combinations thereof.

[Claim 7] (Currently Amended). A composition according to ~~Claim 1~~ *Claim 3*, wherein ~~delivery system or~~ a carrier base ~~are~~ *is* selected in the form of a lotion, cream, gel, spray, thin liquid, body splash, powder, compressed powder, tooth paste, tooth powder, mouth spray, paste dentifrice, clear gel dentifrice, mask, serum, solid cosmetic stick, lip balm, shampoo, liquid soap, bar soap, bath oil, paste, salve, collodion, impregnated patch, impregnated strip, skin surface implant, impregnated or coated diaper, ~~and similar delivery or packaging forms.~~

[Claim 8] (Currently Amended). ~~The compositions A~~ *composition* according to ~~claim 1~~ *Claim 3*, wherein ~~the delivery system can be~~ *carrier base is selected from* traditional water and oil emulsions, suspensions, colloids, microemulsions, clear solutions, suspensions of nanoparticles, emulsions of nanoparticles, or anhydrous compositions.

[Claim 9] (Currently Amended). ~~The compositions A~~ *composition* according to ~~claim 1~~ *claim 3*, wherein ~~the delivery system said carrier base can be~~ *is a* human body or hair deodorizing solution, deodorizing powder, deodorizing gel, deodorizing spray, deodorizing stick, deodorizing roll-on, deodorizing paste, deodorizing cream, deodorizing lotion, *or a*

~~deodorizing aerosol, and other commonly marketed human body and hair deodorizing compositions.~~

[Claim 10] (Currently Amended). The compositions according to ~~claim 1~~ *Claim 3*, wherein the ~~delivery system can be~~ *carrier base is a* household deodorizing solution, deodorizing powder, deodorizing gel, deodorizing spray, carpet deodorizer, *or a* room deodorizer, ~~and other commonly marketed household deodorizing compositions.~~

[Claim 11] (Currently Amended). ~~The compositions A~~ *composition* according to ~~claim 1~~ *Claim 3*, wherein the ~~delivery system can be~~ *carrier base is selected from an* animal and ~~pets~~ deodorizing solution, deodorizing powder, deodorizing gel, deodorizing spray, animals and ~~pets~~ carpet deodorizer, *or* animals and pets room deodorizer, ~~and other commonly marketed animal and pet deodorizing compositions.~~

[Claim 12] (Currently Amended). ~~The compositions A~~ *composition* according to ~~claim 1~~ *claim 3*, wherein the ~~delivery system can be~~ *carrier base is selected from a* human or animal deodorizing dentifrice, or oral cavity deodorizing toothpaste, deodorizing mouthwash, deodorizing dental powder, deodorizing mouth spray, deodorizing dental gel, *or* deodorizing lozenges, ~~and other commonly marketed human or animal deodorizing dentifrice, or oral cavity deodorizing compositions.~~

[Claim 13] (New). A composition according to claim 6, wherein additional ingredient is a moisturizer.

[Claim 14] (New). A composition according to claim 7, wherein carrier base is a solid cosmetic stick.

[Claim 15] (New). A composition according to claim 8, wherein carrier base is a suspension.

[Claim 16] (New). A composition according to claim 9, wherein carrier base is a deodorizing stick.

[Claim 17] (New). A composition according to claim 10, wherein carrier base is a deodorizing powder.

[Claim 18] (New). A composition according to claim 11, wherein carrier base is a carpet deodorizer.

[Claim 19] (New). A composition according to claim 12, wherein carrier base is a deodorizing dental powder.

[Claim 20] (New). A composition according to claim 13, wherein said moisturizer is glycerin.

The Applicant hopes the Examiner finds these actions satisfactory.

A complete listing of all claims is provided separately in Claims.



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